Mayor explains building priorities

the priority schedule city officials renovations they were already have set on getting municipal committed to do ... bringing the buildings back in operation follow- facility up to ADA (handicapped ing the March 8th flood. The Senior accessable) and other modifica-Citizens building will be ready for tions. two facilities have first priority, headquartered at the airport and

explained Grimes. the custom built cabinets are under Avenue. construction and then it will be Flood insurance adjusters have ready for new books. The fire submitted their estimate of damdepartment is back in its building, ages on several of the facilities and but some renovations are still to be the council approved Grimes' rec-

City Hall will not be occupied tlements. for at least three months. Officials

Mayor James Grimes explained are going ahead with some major

use in less than a month, as will the Meanwhile the senior citizens police department building if the are meeting at the Eiba Assembly radio equipment is installed. These of God; the police department is city hall is in the old The library is cleaned out and Guard/Reserve Center on Claxton

ommendation and accepted the set-

Continued from Page 1 The reward is for the arrest and

Whitworth added that the person or persons who took the dog will ees to the work force. volunteer to return the animal, or Act for new or expanding industry. planned expansion.

There has been no business activity in the facility for several years. \$20,000 rather than spend the time business and add 15 to 25 employ- out, according to Grimes. They are there is a lot of trash still on the expenses.

The council agreed to pay English \$20,000 rather than spend the time and money in court to breake the agreement. this cleared up. Mayor James Grimes explained to council members that The two biggest problems for the conviction of person or persons who Worth Tent wants the facility to expand its growing manufacturing business and add 15 to 25 employees to the work force. Morrow said. Both are closed due to

Grimes said Worth Tent wants to on the city hall building. The counneers think that after they make sure send word where he can be picked move their tent-making into this cil, after being assured the buildings there is no hidden damage, the up, there will be no questions asked. facility to allow more room for their can be repaired for these amounts, bridges (or the approaches) can be The council also approved a setweaving operation in the old middle authorized the mayor and city clerk repaired rather quickly and without tlement with Ken English canceling school building. He said Elba does- to sign the claims forms. They are major work on the bridges themhis lease-purchase of the old high n't want to loose Worth Tent and \$45,340.45 for the senior citizens selves. school gym. English had gotten the needs to work with the company in building; \$39,181.92 for the fire The council approved going building under the Wallace-Cater any way possible to help with the department; \$38,979.26 for the ahead with the previously contracted The mayor indicated that there is a for the rescue squad building.

The council agreed to pay English help with the payment of the \$2.8 million sewer improvement cil authorized advertising for bids on and money in court to breake the Insurance claim settlements on officials will be in town on April 22 one which is almost worn out. agreement. Mayor James Grimes four city owned buildings have been with a check for that amount. explained to council members that offered by the flood insurance com- City Clerk Donnie Morrow were approved for payment. This Worth Tent wants the facility to expand its growing manufacturing bany. Claim forms on the contents of the buildings are still being filled the clean-up of the town. He said and \$17,376.95 in flood-related

roadsides, but the city crews are working as fast as they can to get

street department are the bridges on Caroline Street adn Tiger Drive. also still awaiting a settlement offer flood damage. He said that engi-

police department and \$17,709.20 resurfacing of Reddock Hill Road. probablity the Industrial Board will Grimes also reported that the huge March 8th flooding. Also the counproject is ready to go and federal a new front end loader to replace

County

Continued from Page 1 said that some people out in the county had expressed a desire to be under the recent much publicized

buy-out program. Director of Coffee County's Emergency Management Agency Charles Webb briefed commissioners on the federally funded program as it applies to the county. Webb told commissioners that the

buy-out is part of a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and has "The goal of the program is to support cost effective measures

risk of damage and suffering from future disasters," he said. The director told members of the submit a notice of intent in partici-

pating in the program. "This does not obligate the county to anything," Webb said. "It just says we're interested and may wish Should the county decide there

are indeed some areas that need to be moved or bought out, the county expenses incurred. will then file an application.

Seventy-five (75) percent from the Agency (FEMA), the Federal Enterprise. Their bid for both gaso-power to the new Enterprise room as can best be arranged." federal government and twenty-five Highway Administration, and line and low sulfur diesel was .016¢ Courthouse. (25) percent from local government. Natural Resources Conservation per gallon below state bid. order for persons to qualify for the on flood repair projects. a desire to participate in the buy-out projects and by passing the resolu- \$11,613.00.

Commissioner Linda Westbrook implementing the work. Creek and Big Creek that have advertise for bids on publishing the \$64,168.00. expressed a desire to be bought out. voters list, and to purchase an addi- Other actions taken by the com-

asked for and received permission April 30.

hat comes from the federal and commission pass a resolution enterlocal government agencies. ing into an agreement with the Federal Emergency Management to Glen Heath Gulf Oil Company of Alabama Power Company to supply

petitive damage and must express providing funding for these various department. Their bid was low at insurance company. families who live near Whitewater Mobley received authorization to bid for designated roadways was probate records upstairs and restore leads to the Heart of Dixie Music

Commissioner Stephens com- tional personal computer (PC) for mission consisted of the following: mented he had had one resident liv- his office. He noted that cost of one ***Passed a resolution authorizprogrammer, John Brim, had sub- allowed under the Alabama Code. moving of two walls in the

He also stated that town officials for a computer programmer.

nish materials. The owners of the high school education requirerights-of-way inside the city limits ommended checking with the local rent to offset some of the expense. college's data processing department beads in seeking students who
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ness, the commissioners opened, bid requests for repairing the clock Celebration of Elba will be held on 347-7311 or 347-9667, or call The engineer requested that the reviewed and awarded several bids. tower and re-roofing the Elba the Courthouse Square on Teressa Dutton at 347-2848 or

said that she had at least five (5) County Administrator Wilson Striping of Ozark, AL. Their total the Elba Courthouse "placing the chloride to Co. Rd. 375. This road

the other offices and small court- Park.

ty's convenience and the town will reimburse the county for any be interested in the position.

Under the heading of old busition the County complex.

***Approved the sending out of the County complex.

CELEBRATION OF ELBA A ther details call Karen Patrick at

***Paid Dry-Tech Company manager of the Damascus Senior He told commissioners that in Services to let contracts out for bid Choctaw Incorporated of \$7,452.00 for drying, sanitizing and Citizens Center. Peggy Moore was Montgomery was awarded the bid spraying for micro-organisms. This hired for two hours each day to ***At the request of ***Hired Brent Parrish, an archi- Commissioner Westbrook and tion, valuable time will be saved in The contract for striping county tect with Donofro & Associates in Engineer Tindell, the commission roadways was awarded to Ozark Dothan, to rearrange the rooms in approved the application of calcium

HAPPENINGS

ing near the Pea River to express the PC was already in this year's bud- ing payment of each commission- EHS PARENTS' NIGHT Elba until noon. The event is being er's expense while performing his or High School will hold Parents' sponsored by the Elba Marching The commission voted to allow Mobley also informed the com- her duties in inspecting the roads Night on Thursday (TONIGHT), Tiger Band Boosters in lieu of the webb to proceed with filing the mission that the county computer and bridges in the county. This is April 16, at 6:30 p.m. in the high annual Band Day, and will feature school auditorium. It is important Elba's elementary, high school and County Engineer Randy Tindell mitted his resignation effective ***Approved the painting and for parents of students in the eighth jazz bands in open air concert. to assist the Town of New Brockton, The administrator was given Enterprise Adult Day Care at a cost grade next year to attend. They bring lawn chairs and enjoy the grade who will enter the ninth Those attending are encouraged to on repairs to flood damaged streets. approval to advertise the opening of \$5,850 labor. The county will furwanted the county to spray the Commissioner Tom Grimsley rec- building have rescinded 6 months ments. The optional courses and BEAUTY PAGEANT The Future

May 9, 1998. Deadline for regis-



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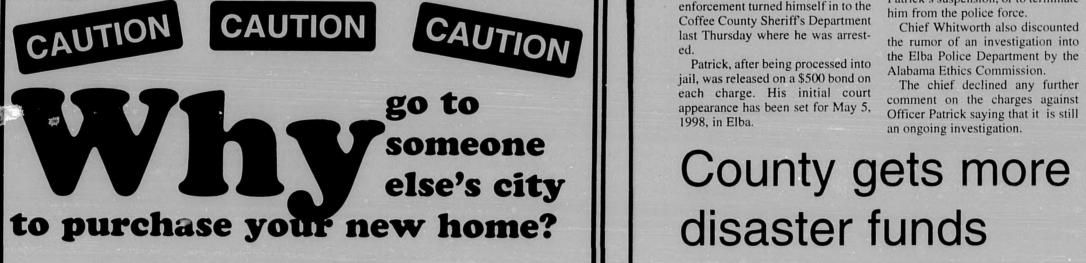
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Tax Day, Wednesday, April 15, government.

1998, was a good day for Coffee County Director Charles sented a check for \$300,000.

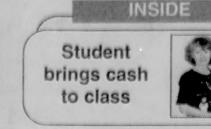
gency management agencies. percentage basis: 75 percent from rapid response to the county's federal sources, 10 percent from the

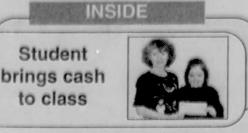
County. County officials were pre- Webb accepted the check on behalf of the local EMA and immediately The funds were the first of hope- turned it over to Robert Stephens, fully more to come to assist the chairman of the Coffee County

Wednesday's check was from the news in the area, it's good to have Federal Emergency Management something to smile about rather through the state and local emer- Stephens expressed gratitude on behalf of the county to the federal, Disaster funds are awarded on a state, and local EMA's for their











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\$73,000 missing from county, 2 indicted

by Marvin McIL.wain, Editor

indicted two former county employ- Clerk's office. ees for stealing public funds. 1998, an Enterprise Division grand on theft charges after allegedly tak-bond. Carter, 39, of Samson, on charges of ance bond. theft in the first degree.

Chief suspends

police officer.

Patrick without pay

by Marvin McILwain, Editor

An investigation by the Alabama

Bureau of Investigation (ABI) has

resulted in the arrest of an Elba

Michael Patrick, 44, of 333 Plant

Local policeman

by deception

charged with theft

A Coffee County grand jury has Commission office and Circuit public funds from that office. imposed. Ms. McGlothren, a bookkeeper in and immediately released after during 1997.

Several weeks ago a complaint

According to Elba Police Chief

Council whether to continue or end

Chief Whitworth also discounted

the rumor of an investigation into

the Elba Police Department by the

The chief declined any further

was filed against Patrick by Banny

Cooper, owner of Elba Pawn &

conflict of interest.

jury indicted Susan Enfinger ing \$71,701.22 in public funds. Arraignments for both women began on January 21, 1998, at have been recovered. McGlothren, 38, of Route 6, She was arrested on April 16 and have been set for May 27, 1998, in which time Ms. McGlothren was A large amount of the missing alerting the proper authorities as to Enterprise, and Frances Elizabeth released on a \$10,000.00 appear- Enterprise. Ms. Carter, 39, a clerk in the a Class B felony which carries a ed by the commissioners on January Ms. McGlothren was bonded for

The charge of first-degree theft is Her letter of resignation was acceptalso been recovered.

The charges are in connection Enterprise office of the Circuit penalty of not less than two years in 26, 1998. with two unrelated incidences of Clerk, was indicted on charges of prison and not more than 20 years. Ms. Carter was terminated from deposited approximately \$20,000 stolen funds in the Coffee County allegedly stealing \$2,867.22 in Fines of up to \$10,000 could also be the Circuit Clerk's office in early after the investigation was initiated. January after funds for which she The county's depository, The She was also arrested on April 16 Both alleged thefts took place was responsible went missing. Peoples Bank of Coffee County, is According to District Attorney also bonded. In a session held on April 13, the commission office, was indicted posting a \$2,000.00 appearance An investigation into the missing Investigator Bruce DeVane, the Both offices are taking a close

monies in the commission office funds in the Circuit Clerk's office look at their accounting procedures relieved of her bookkeeping duties. funds in the commission office have missing or improper disbursement

Consultants look for hidden damages

by Marvin McIlwain, Editor

Elba residents are slowly recovering from the flood of March 8 as they clean out their businesses and homes and make decisions on their next moves.

Some flood victims - business owners and homeowners - did not have insurance while others did. After an initial investigation of Those not having insurance are the complaint by the Elba Police dealing with state and federal Department, the matter was turned agencies (AEMA, FEMA and over to the ABI so as to prevent any SBA) in getting help to rebuild, while others deal with their insur-R. W. "Ronnie" Whitworth, Patrick

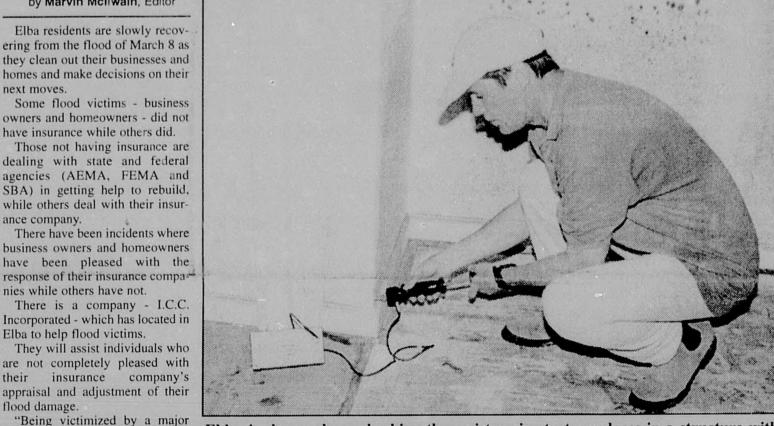
ance company. There have been incidents where have been pleased with the nies while others have not. There is a company - I.C.C. ncorporated - which has located in Elba to help flood victims. They will assist individuals who are not completely pleased with

appraisal and adjustment of their flood damage. "Being victimized by a major

seem small can be costly, such as ments." fed into a computer program can ual's flood damage estimate.

damage repair or replacement line in-depth item-by-item analysis and

"A lot of seemingly small errors The cost of their service is 25 can add up becoming a sizable sum of money," he said.

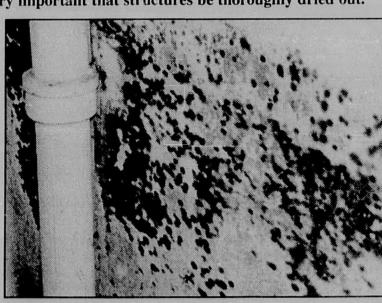


insurance catastrophe is no laughing matter and can have a paralyz- state-of-the-art meter. It is very important that structures be thoroughly dried out.

ing effect on the normal operations "Exceptional service demands such as Elba, insurance adjusters, "And so we run our loss consultin their haste to serve their clients, ing company according to one funcan often make unintentional mis- damental principle: to protect our takes in their damage assessments. clients' well-being by safeguarding Some mistakes which often their investment and/or invest-

the overall dimension of a room in Ehler and Bill Grady, both with a home or business. This one item I.C.C. Inc., will review an individ-Ehler stressed the importance of suggested/recommended by govexamining one's cost estimate of ernment agencies, they will do an

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dangerous mold/fungi (stachybokus) which lurks in structures with high moisture content.

Dorsey earnings announced

Dorsey Trailers, Inc. announced this week results for first quarter, 998, indicating continued mprovement in margins and oper-

These results, including the decline in revenue, take into effect the full impact of major flooding that occurred in the company's pri-mary production facility in Elba in March. The net loss for the same period in 1998 was \$0.6 million or \$.13 per share compared to net oss for the same period in 1997 of \$5.5 million or \$1.10 per share. Net sales for the first quarter of 998 were \$35.4 million compared to net sales for the same period in 1997 of \$41.0 million. New trailer sales revenue for the first quarter of 1998 increased to

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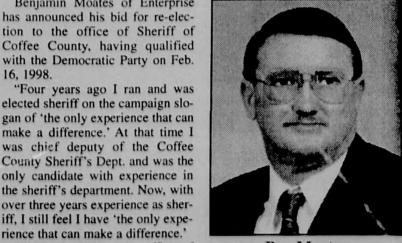


NEW BUSINESS OPENS...Last Friday, a new business officially opened its doors in Elba with a ribbon cutting permony. Hollie's Hobbies is now open at 939 Simmons Street (the old Sonic Burger building). Everyone is invited to come in and check out the variety of items they have to offer - tanning beds, picture frames, novelties, etc. Pictured above are the participants in the ribbon cutting: (1-r): front row - Herby McCall, Elba Mayor James Grimes, Hollie Kelley (owner), Junior Miss Elba Cammie Kelley, Sonya Smith, Ashley Smith, and Renita Marler; back row dangers of drugs. A K-9 program Barbara Hudson, Hollis McGregor, Jewel Odom, Vida Roberts, and Louise Hudson

Moates seeks return to sheriff's office

has announced his bid for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Coffee County, having qualified with the Democratic Party on Feb

gan of 'the only experience that can make a difference.' At that time I was chief deputy of the Coffee County Sheriff's Dept. and was the only candidate with experience in the sheriff's department. Now, with rience that can make a difference. "Since election to the office of sheriff in 1994, I have added three ull-time deputies, one of which is a dedicated to teaching children the



forth in the Law Enforcement Code



OPINION

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Tornadoes continue to hit all over the South, except right on top of Elba .. so far. Our friends in Opp are also lucky, or living at the foot of the Cross. While they did get a tornado last week, there were no lives lost. The tornado concern in Elba appears to still take a backseat to worries about potential high water. All weekend people were asking about predictions on the river crest. Others were riding around keeping a constant check on the levels of the area creeks. This is a normal reaction, considering the recent flooding. We saw, and experienced, the same thing in 1990. Sunday morning while leaving church we heard a woman comment about her brother who was out checking the water levels. Our reaction to her was, "That isn't necessary, everthing will be okay." Then, maybe because we were in church, it was true confession time and these words just poured out, "Actually, we did the same thing before coming to morning services."

Dennis Coleman, water department supervisor, said Monday morning that the flood pump station in the old Beaver Dam Creek bed is working like a charm. From Friday night when they were switched on until the pumps were switched off Sunday, those suckers dumped 55,000,000 gallons (that is millions) of water over the levee! That is water which might have gotten into someone's building again if Elba had not had the big pumps working. Our office had several calls during the weekend about these pumps, but folks t-h-e-y w-e-r-e p-u-m-p-i-n-g!

Elba has been without a permanent postmaster for many months. Before that the community went through a couple of quick changes following the retirement of native son Bill Bullard. Last week a group of local citizens expressed concern and vowed to "get involved." To guide them in the right direction we promised to get a phone number to the right person. Well, what we found out was that a new postmaster has been assigned and will officially be on board May 9th. He is coming from Tennessee. Maybe for a change this one will live in Elba and be a part of the community, since it is reported. a bit far to drive back and forth to Tennessee.

The Alabama legislature has one more day of this regular session. After all this time, again they have not passed the general fund nor the education fund budgets for the coming year. In spite of special rules installed to prevent this type thing from happening, someone usually finds a way around the rules and it is the last hour of the last day before the vote is taken to a greater risk of child abuse. That, in cially themselves unselfishly to proapprove the main operating budgets. Of course this way, pork money can be hidden in the bills and passed quickly before anyone else can discover it is there. Last year Governor James foiled that a bit by refusing to sign the bills, Safety of the children is our basic organization who would like to join thus forcing a special session. We wonder if that will happen in this election year? It will be interesting to watch.

Things are looking up around here this week. The Elba Clipper office is please contact us at 347-5865. almost ready for us to move back in. We are refusing to set an exact date, because striving to make this self imposed deadline would just add to the anguish of the whole situation.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

APRIL 13th THRU APRIL 19th, 1998

(11:35 p.m.); Wreck reported on

Trailer Court on AL Hwy. 84W

Minor wreck reported near fire sta-

tion on Buford St. (10:32 a.m.);

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 - River

The Elba Police Department, reported at Big/Little East (11:35 beginning Monday, April 13, 1998, a.m.); Routine activity. investigated the following incidents: two criminal mischiefs, two FRIDAY, APRIL 17 - River personal injuries, one harassment, stage - 7.14 feet (6:23 a.m.); Rescue one theft of property, one slander, run to a wreck at the intersection of one burglary, and one hit and run Co. Rd. 114 and AL Hwy. 167

Traffic citations issued for the Davis St. (12:10 p.m.); Disturbance week were as follows: one for DUI, (fight) reported at Taylor's Grocery one for driving without a driver's on Caroline St. (3:14 p.m.); Minor license, one for reckless driving, wreck reported at Little Beaver and four for speeding. Daily activity highlights for the (4:02 p.m.).

week were as follows: MONDAY, APRIL 13 - River SATURDAY, APRIL 18 - River Stage - 8.51 feet (6:28 a.m.); stage - 19.22 feet (6:26 a.m.);

TUESDAY, APRIL 14 - River Disturbance reported in Kennedy Stage - 7.86 feet (6:13 a.m.); Wreck Estates (10:48 a.m.); Burglary on Whitewater Bridge on Smith reported at a residence on Simmons Ave. (10:26 a.m.); Wreck reported St. (8:22 p.m.); Alarm at the Coffee on U. S. Hwy. 84W (3:10 p.m.); County Board of Education Central Rescue run to Marler Trailer Park Office (11:28 p.m.). on Troy Hwy. (8:46 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 - stage - 16.71 feet (6:25 a.m.); River stage - 7.71 (7:25 a.m.); Fire Disturbance reported on Caroline department dispatched to automo- St. (1:12 p.m.); Disturbance reportbile fire at Mr. Henry's (3:23 p.m.); ed on Smith Ave. (5:24 p.m.);

stage - 7.39 (6:4530 a.m.); Wreck (10:02 p.m.).

Rescue run to apartments on Putnam St. (7:44 p.m.); Alarm at THURSDAY, APRIL 16 - River Taylor Grocery on Caroline St.

Outside Alabama - \$18 per year - 6 months - \$10

If you can read this, take time to thank an educator next week

By CHARLES PEARCE, of Alabama well. When one realizes Public education can and with rise to Superintendent Elba City Schools Alabama ranks in the lowest 10 per- the occasion to insure that our pub-

cent nationwide in per pupil expen- lic becomes a technology-literate Public School Week is celebrated ditures, we may be getting the society, and offer continuing educain Alabama during the week of biggest bang for our buck in public tion to all our citizens. April 27 - May 1. Each year, this education than any other public serweek is designated to recognize the vice. contributions made to our society As we continue to see dramatic administrator or board member for

changes in technology, we must be their efforts to provide a quality Although some critics may more keenly aware of how impor- education program for all emphasize flaws in the system, pub- tant it is for all our citizens to be Alabamians.

DHR observes child abuse Adorable awareness month in April

on the doors of businesses in the who is willing to give approximate-

reported abused or neglected in tact me at 347-5865.

many and most deal with a crisis •May is Foster Parent with the parents or families, stress, Appreciation month statewide. In

children that are being abused, ways, may contact me or Lin at 347-

•We have a position open for a by Teresa Mittelbach volunteer coordinator. This person would coordinate the volunteers' April is Child Abuse Awareness schedules with clients' needs as Month, represented by blue bow directed by the social workers. This Dear Editor, lapel pins or large blue bows hung position requires a special person

ly two - three hours per day. Anyone has come to find her a new family. More than 38,000 children were interested in this position may con-Alabama in 1995, which converts to •A great need remains for foster about 32 out of every 1000 children homes for adults as well as children in Alabama being reported. In in Coffee County. Adult Services Coffee County, 231 cases were also needs people to volunteer to work with the elderly. Contact me, The causes of child abuse are Teresa, or Fran at 347-5865.

education and intellectual levels," Coffee County, we currently have said a DHR official. "If a parent was 16 foster homes. These families abused as a child, the children are at give their time, homes, and espeitself, is not an excuse to abuse a vide for the children in their care. Any individual, business, church, or philosphy at the Department of us in thanking foster parents by Human Resources. If you know of donating items or helping in other

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Jessica Powell, Scarlette Knotts, Hodges. Marty Baxley, Sandra Hill, Chester

following persons admitted during Persons discharged during the the time period of April 14, 1998, same period were: Betty Coon, through April 20, 1998. They were: Mary O. Brian, Alexis Tillis, Robbie Moulton, Brian Ford, Shelia Gertrude Mills, Sarah Littleton, Magwood, Gerttude Mills, Sarah Brian Ford, Cecil Parker, Makayleh Littleton, Jo Ann Rhode, Rhonda Chandler, Burnell Knotts, Jessica Stringer, Christopher Leger, Willie Powell, Scarlette Napper, McClain, Makayleh Chandler, Christopher Leger, and Albert

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OMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon- Colony

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was born June 27, 1958, in Springs, Fla. Covington County, Ala., to Minnie Lee Thigpen and the late William

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17, 1998, at 2 p.m. at Elba Zion the Opp Nursing Home.

all of Elba; and other relatives.

at Mizell Memorial Hospital. Funeral services were held April 17, at 11 a.m. at Rainer Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Robert Rainer Funeral Home directing.

CHAFEY DEWEY WHITEHEAD Evergreen Cemetery, Hayes Funeral and Ronnie Danford, Enterprise; a dren; 14 great-grandchildren, 5

MARTIN LAMAR THIGPEN Eula "Mae" Meredith, Enterprise; brother: A.C. Brunson Sr., Elba; sis- She was preceded in death by her Raymond Miller and Rev. Mark Wambles and Junior Wambles, both

HASTON HUDSON

Holley officiating, and Hayes City; 9 great-grandchildren. Survivors include his mother: Funeral riome directing. Minnie Lee Thigpen; one child: Survivors include five daughters: WILLIE ESTHER SCONIERS Martin Lamar Caldwell; a sister: Pastine Henderson, Enterprise; Mrs. Willie Esther Sconiers, age Annie Doris Austin (Charles); three Jewel McKinney, Kinston; Genine 80, of Neptune, N.J. formerly of brothers: Larry Thigpen, Williams Crawley, Elba; Louellen Bedsole, Geneva, Ala., died March 28, 1998, Lewis Thigpen, and Chris Thigpen, Kinston; Cathy Sharp, Montgomery; at the Presbyterian Lodge in

Mr. James Coleman Redmon, age Alice Houston, Graceville, Fla.; God In Christ, Geneva, Ala., with 84, of Rt. 4, Opp, died April14,1998, Emma Nolin, Phenix City, Ala.; 28 Dr. J.C. McLeod, pastor, presiding, Davis officiating. Burial followed in Mrs. Margaret Brunson Smith, Cemetery, Coffee Springs, Ala., Peaceful Acres Cemetery, with age 81, of Rt. 4, Elba, died April with Memoroy Chapel Funeral Mr. Redmon was a farmer and Funeral services were held April Survivors include six sons: Henry past owner of Elba Ford Tractor. 19, 1998, at 3 p.m. at Hayes Funeral (Joyce) Rockledge, Fla.; Charlie Survivors include his wife Lois Home Chapel, with Rev. Jack Smith Ray (Valerie) Jersey City, N.J.;

Mr. Chafey Dewey Whitehead, Johns. age 89, of Elba, died April 18,1998, Survivors include four daughters White (John), Hillside, N.J.; and at Edge Regional Treatment Center. and sons-in-law: Linda and Norman Brenda Wilburn (Herman), Asbury Funeral services were held April Johns, Enterprise; Paula Nan and Park, N.J.; two sisters: Flemings, 20, 1998, at 2 p.m. at Hayes Funeral Mickey McCollough, Elba; Angelyn Enterprise, and Christine Fears Home Chapel, with burial in and Max Holley, Enterprise; Shelia (Vernon), Cocoa, Fla.; 25 grandchil-

Brockton; Sandi M. Sullivant, Elba; Merritt. Sonya D. Grice, Enterprise; Kim D. Gibson, Enterprise: Emily Smith

Jack; Mike McCollough, Dothan; her home.

three sons: Charles Hudson, Neptune, N.J. Kinston, Robert Hudson, Elba; Funeral services were held April JAMES COLEMAN REDMON Harold Hudson, Opp; two sisters: 4, 1998, at 2 p.m. at the Church of

BRUNSON SMITH

17,1998, in Flowers Hospital. Redmon, Opp; several nieces and officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Elder Embria (Dorothy). Neptune, Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home N.J.; John (Catherine), Elder James

by a granddaughter, Stephanie Kay N.J.; three daughters: Armie Perry

son and daughter-in-law: Jack and great-great-grandchildren; family Survivors include a step-daughter: Stacy Smith, Brownwood, Texas; a friend, Lois Sconiers.

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and women the opportunity to delay He is the son of Denise E. Brooks

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Mr. Martin Lamar Thigpen died two sisters: Minnie Ina Rodgers, ter: Lois Whatley, Elba; six grand- husband, Elder Howard Sconiers, Griffin officiating. Burial was in the of Lake Wales, Fla.; 10 grandchil-April 12,1998, in Ontario, Calif. He Elba; Eula Thompson, DeFuniak daughters: Sophia J. Kelley, New two children and a sister, Jessie Zion Chapel Church Cemetery, with dren.

VERSIE LEE SMITH Funeral services were held April 1, Kinston, died April 19, 1998, in Tex.; six grandsons: Tony Johns, Rt. I, Jack, died April 20, 1998, at Fla.; Carolyn Linzey, Troy; two Luverne.

Missionary Baptist Church, with Graveside services and burial Lance McCollough, Elba; Chris Funeral services were held April Smith, Jack; a sister: Lois Austin, available at press time. Minister Tymothy Williams officiat- were held April 21, 1998, in New Holley and Ron Danford, 22, 1998, at 10:30 a.m. at Zion Brundidge; two brothers: David ing, and Coleman Funeral Home Home Cemetery, with Rev. Chester Enterprise; Mason Holley, Phenix Chapel Baptist Church, with Rev.

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and Elder Embria Sconiers, pastor of Cotton Temple Church of God In Christ, Jersey City, N.J., officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Valley Home of Dothan directing.

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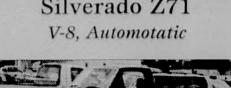
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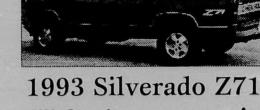
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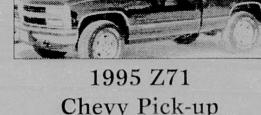
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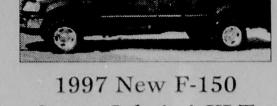
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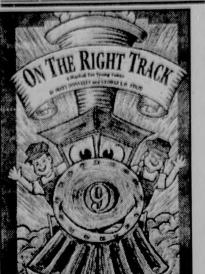


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play with his face on the mirror? faces. we haven't been and remind us of inside out. faces we haven't seen in a while. We are suspect of others who sentimental reflections, but it is

And streams . . . well, the cynic proclaim with an almost annoying hard work to be sure. might lay it all at the feet of vanity. flippancy,"I know just how you May God grant the strength to We're all drawn, in one way or feel . . . I've been right where you struggle in faith and to perceive the another, to those reflections of our- are . . . I can tell you just what you possibility of "things hoped for" in selves that allow us an "outsider's" need to do . . ." Unlike those most- the circumstances of life from a view of ourselves. Let's face it . . . ly-accurate physical reflections, we new perspective . . . a faith-filled we spend most of our lives on the are not as easily persuaded by the perspective. inside of ourselves looking out. spiritual and emotional reflections You know this may just be a philo- that others tend to impose upon us. sophical musing, but it absolutely We'd like to accept their encouragastounds me that, in 35 years of ing scenarios, but deep down we're inhabiting this body, I've never just not sure.

Well, it's not an earth-shattering can we allow God to reveal His

were it not for these reflections, we ous God Who sees us from above would have a most mysterious con- as Father, face-to-face as Son, and cept of our own persons based sole- from within as Holy Spirit . . . that ly on the descriptions of others and faith can liberate our "bound" view whatever info our fingertips could of life as we know and comprehend What is it that makes a little child ascertain as they move across our it.

What motivates us to pull down Perspective and perception may door and knocks." He will not kick picture albums and spend hours not be everything in life, but they His way in nor impose Himself thumbing through the pages? What define our view of things in ways uninvited. Only through faith can stands us still at the water's edge as from which we are not easily liber- we begin to see our lives as He sees we gaze at ourselves on the sunlit ated. And, for all the natural and them. Salvation is the gift of a grasurface of the stream? For children technological ways of "looking cious God, but faith is the toil of one could surmise it's a fascination upon ourselves," we often find it mankind as we begin to perceive with simple technology and self- difficult to view our life circum- and give evidence of "things not discovery. Pictures take us places stances any way except from the seen." The reward of a tested faith far exceeds the simple pleasures of



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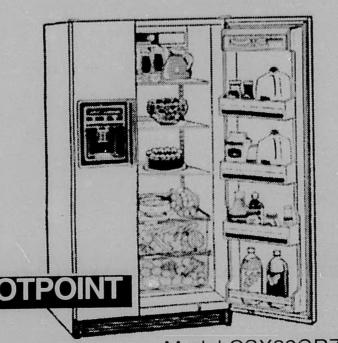
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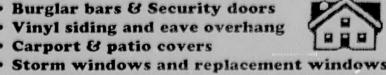
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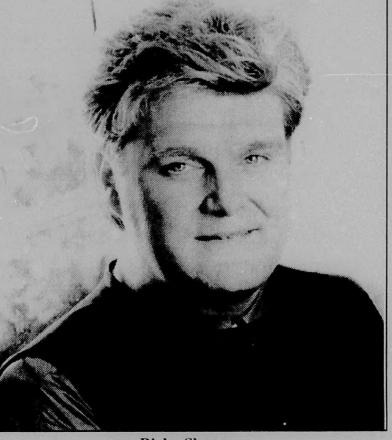
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nished. Also those attending may wish to bring lawn chairs. New Hope School was operated from the 1890's till 1963, and had many students from the Wiregrass area. The reunion is held each year on the last Saturday in May. For more information contact Hazel Maringer, Rt.1, Box 316-C, Westville, FL. 32464, phone 850/956-2065 or Roberta Capps, 4484 Broad St., Marianna, FL 32446, phone 850/526-5635.

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I have never been spooked by the weather, but in the past six weeks the City of Elba has been hit with a flood, countless thunder storms and at least five tornado warnings, and I will admit that I now get a little worried every time the weather makes a turn for the worse. Over the weekend was the first time in my life I ever made my family take cover in a closet from a possible tornado, and my youngest daughter now watches the Weather Channel more than she does cartoons. If someone has figured out what is going on, please let me know!

DUSTING OFF A VERY CLUTTERED DESK

***The Elba Tigers won three of four games last week to improve their record to 11-10, and made the state playoffs with a very impressive 21-1 win over the Headland Rams, on Saturday afternoon. The Tigers had been struggling since their fast 5-0 start, but put it all together last week and now have high hopes concerning this weekend's playoff game up in North Alabama. If the Tigers will hit the baseball and play solid on defense they can go a long way in the playoffs. Don't let the 10 losses fool ya. The Tigers lost twice to 6A Enterprise, twice to 5A Opp and 5A Andalusia, and twice to 2A power G.W. Long. If Elba has learned from its losses and can continue its late-season surge, the Tigers could very well be playing for many

***The Elba Lady Tigers did their usual win one/lose one routine last week on two different days and saw their record for the season move to 12-6. Both losses were by one run, and of the Lady Tigers' six losses, five have been by one run and the other by only two runs. The girls still have two weeks left before they begin their tournament run, and if they can pick up the pace a little and start sweeping some opponents, they should have a real shot at making the sub-state playoffs. This team is young, but it is much better than many people realize, and has a shot at making some news before

the season draws to a close. ***The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will open its baseball and softball seasons next week, and after a one-year absence will once again have a men's softball league. This spring and summer will find the department sponsoring 29 youth league baseball teams and 16 girls league softball teams, as well as four teams in the men's softball league and a total of 11 all-star teams. That is a total of 60 teams taking part in baseball and softball in the city. That's a lot of teams for a fown this size, but shows that the people of Elba and the surrounding area love to play ball, and that Elba's recreation department must be doing something right.

***The fourth annual Sweet Swingers High School Softball Tournament scheduled for last weekend was washed out by the Friday night storms, but the teams were contacted again this week, and if they want to come back and try it again, the tournament will go on one week late. The tournament is one of the highlights of the area high school schedule, and it would be a Elba's Coach David Lowery, "and hitting. If our bats can stay hot, and real shame if it didn't bounce back and let the teams hit the field. If the while it will be a long ride, it will be our defense plays well, we should teams want to play, they will be given the chance. If not, I guess it will wait

until next year. ***The Elba Tigers have started spring football drills and Coach David Sikes is optimistic that next year's Tigers will be much improved over last year's 2-8 bunch. This year Elba will close out the spring drills with a scrimmage game against Samson on May 8, and it should give Elba fans an early opportunity to see for themselves what kind of team the Tigers will field in Lowery, "But they tied for the area '98. It's hard to get excited about football right now, but I'm sure before championship with Lincoln and

Elba claims state play-off berth

The Elba Tigers pounded out a double to spark the second inning Dawkins and Daniels all added key Also having a big day at the plate total of 20 hits in only four innings fireworks, while Brooks Creel, hits to highlight the inning. Saturday afternoon to bury the Kevin Dodd and Derek Marler all Brooks Creel got 3 hits, knocked Dodd (2-4, 2 rbi's and 3 runs Headland Rams 21-1, to earn the followed with hits. Two quick outs in 4 runs and scored 3 runs to lead scored), Dustin Stinson (2-4 and 2 runner-up spot in the area, and a threatened to dampen the Tiger the Elba batting explosion, while rbi's), Wade Parker (2-4, 1 rbi and 2 berth in this weekend's opening rally, but LaDon Daniels, Julian Derek Marler added 3 hits, knocked runs scored), LaDon Daniels (2-3, 1 round of the state Class 3A high Mitchell and Brooks Creel all deliv- in 3 runs and scored 4 runs, and rbi and 3 runs scored) and Julian

to 11-10, 2-2 in the area, and put the Davis and Dustin Stinson came Tigers back in the state playoffs through to clean the bases and blow

cation of things to come, however, Rams.

The Tigers grabbed a quick 1-0 Elba was on top, but nowhere lead in the opening inning as Derek near satisfied, as the Tigers came Marler doubled and raced home on back up to bat in the bottom of the an rbi single by Ronnie Davis. third and added nine runs to take a The one-run first was not an indi- lopsided 21-0 lead over the stunned as the Tigers ripped Headland pitch- Josh Dawkins, LaDon Daniels

Brooks Creel, Kevin Dodd, Derek

pitching all season and have hit the

week we'll stick with our usual

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EHS Tigers face Ashville Saturday in state play-offs

The Elba Tigers will take their can't be unbeatable." state title hopes on the road "We have been playing better on Saturday afternoon when they trav- defense in recent weeks," said el to Ashville in the opening round Lowery, "and we go as far as our of the Class 3A high school baseball defense takes us. We have had solid The game will begin at 2:00 PM, ball well, but when we made errors

with the winner to advance to sec- we lost, and that happened more ond round action on Wednesday, times than I'd like to admit. This "Ashville is located between practice routine and spend a lot of Birmingham and Gadsden," stated time on defensive fundamentals and

a playoff game, and that should be have a real shot at getting some more than enough to make the play- wins in the playoffs." ers forget the ride and concentrate on the game.'

"We don't have a detailed scouting report on Ashville," added

ered two-out hits, and after free Ronnie Davis also added 3 hits, Mitchell (2-3, 1 rbi and 3 runs The win improved Elba's record passes to Dodd and Marler, Ronnie knocked in 4 runs and scored twice. scored). the game open.

ing for 10 hits in the second inning and Julian Mitchell all reached on and plated 11 runs to take a big 12- free passes to open the inning, while Julian Mitchell ripped a lead-off Marler, Ronnie Davis, Wade Parker,

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Ladies split double-header, improve record to 12-6

in New Brockton and split a double- the nightcap. header, dropping the opener 5-4 and winning the nightcap 14-1. the Lady Gamecocks score the win- game, but saw Ariton score seven

The Lady Tigers opened the week opener to claim a wild 14-13 win in

The Lady Tigers owned a 5-0 lead P166 System In the opener the Lady Tigers saw after four innings in the opening ning run in the bottom of the seventh runs in the fifth to take the lead and to take the 5-4 win. Lindsey Jared hold on for the win. Amber Frederick had a two-run homer to lead Elba at got 4 hits to lead Elba at the plate, the plate, while Melissa Grantham while Vaughan Boyd added 2 hits and Heather Hudson hit a home-run.

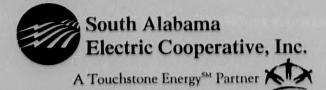
The Lady Tigers led all the way in The Lady Tigers scored six runs in and rolled to the win. Leigh Kelley seventh to grab a 13-8 advantage, but hit two home-runs to lead Elba at the Elba rallied late and claimed the win plate, while Amber Frederick added on a two-out, three-run homer by a double and a home-run, and Lindsey Jared. Leigh Kelley had two 222-6255 · 1-800-932-0500

the second game to post a 14-1 win the bottom of the seventh inning to 1.44 FLOPPY · 2MB PCI VGA CARD · 24 in five innings. Elba led only 1-0 claim a wild 14-13 win over Ariton | SPEED CD · CD PACK · INCLUDES after two innings, but scored eight in the second game of the day. Ariton WORD PROCESSOR 56K INT. MODEM runs in the third to take command, had scored four runs in the top of the . WINDOWS '95 · 14" SVGA MONITOR

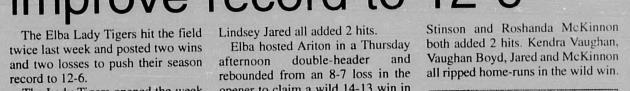
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SPORTS

New Brockton wins county title

The New Brockton Gamecocks In the opener, New Brockton inning to blow the game wide open. out the game and the score was posted two straight wins over their scored seven runs in the bottom of Charlie Moore and Chad Moore knotted at 2-2 after six innings, only

opened the day with an easy 19-5 the seven-run rally. win over Zion Chapel, then staged a The Gamecocks led 7-2 going 7-2 win to take home the crown. three singles and a pair of doubles late rally to down Kinston 7-2 to into the bottom of the third, but plat- Kinston battled the favored - off the bats of Kinsaul and Cole.

Conference team has 11 players

The South Central Alabama Conference announced its 1998 "All-Conference" basketball selections recently, with a total of six Coffee County players named to the boys' team and five county players named to the girls'squad. Named to the boys' "All-Conference" team were Jason Allums, Kellen Cole and Josh Lewis, of New Brockton; Wesley Clark and Josh Grantham, of Zion Chapel; and Jeremy Osborn, of Kinston.

Named to the girls' "All-Conference" team were Suzanne Rhoades and April Lee, of Kinston; Dawn Owens and LaSanta Cole, of New Brockton; and Kendra Ward, of Zion Chapel.

Jody Hughes, of G.W. Long was named the "Player of the Year" on the boy's squad, with G.W. Long coach Terry Goodson being named "Coach of the Year." "Co-Players of the Year" on the

girls' team were Deauna Terry, of Ariton, and Jamie Pruitt, of G.W. Long, while G.W. Long's Todd Horn was named the "Coach of the

Softball tourney set May 2

A men's softball tournament will be held on Saturday, May 2, at the Heflin Smith Sports Complex, in Kinston, Alabama. The entry fee is \$100 per team, with each team to hit its own softballs. One home-run will be

Trophies will be awarded to the Top 3 teams, with t-shirts to the members of the winning team. For more information call Kenny Davis 565-3184 or Town Hall 565-

Vietnam vets plan tourney

The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 373, will sponsor a Men's Class C and Below Softball Tournament on Saturday, May 9, at the Clayhatchee Recreation Park.

The entry fee is \$100 per team and each team will provide its own softballs. The proceeds will go to the Robert J. Williams Scholarship Fund, who is a POW/MIA. For more information call Nancy 598-4322 or Deloris 598-2332.

TSU plans baseball camp

Troy State University has released its youth baseball camp schedule for the coming summer. The first camps will be held at Northview High School, in Dothan. There will be a hitting camp on May 30, and a pitching camp on May 31. Both camps are for ages 8-18 and will begin at 8:30 AM and conclude at 4:30 PM.

There will also be camps held at TSU, with a hitting camp on June 20 and a pitching/catching camp on June 21. The camps will be for ages 8-18 and will begin at 8:30 AM and conclude at 4:30 PM. Please call 334-670-3333 for more information on all of these

cross-county rivals Saturday after- the first inning and never looked both blasted home-runs in the big to see the Gamecocks score five noon in the "Coffee County back to claim the win. A two-run third inning for the Gamecocks. runs in the seventh to pull out the Baseball Challenge" to win the 1998 homer by Jason McKenzie sparked Kinston eliminated Zion Chapel win. Coffee County School System base- the first inning explosion, while in the next game of the day to earn An rbi single by Kinsaul and a Robby Kinsaul, Charlie Moore, the right to meet New Brockton for solo home-run by McKenzie plated The Gamecocks, which improved Kellen Cole, Jasen Caradine and the county title, but the Gamecocks the two first two Gamecock runs, their record to 10-7 with the wins, Charlie Driggers all added rbi's in proved their dominance over their while the big seventh inning explocross-county rivals as they posted a sion came compliments of a walk,

ed twelve runs in their half of the Gamecocks on even terms through-Tigers improve to 10-10

osted two wins and one loss to Hodge.

2-0 win over Poplar Springs, tossed a two-hitter and struck-out 7 Tigers extended their lead to 4-1 in Florida, then came home and lost to batters to get the mound win.

Poplar Springs. The Tigers jumped two hits. However, G.W. Long con- Dawkins and Kevin Dodd. out error, stole second and raced on for the 5-0 win.

Murdock. The second Tiger run Elba at the plate, while Brooks win as he allowed two hits and ame in the sixth, when Dustin Creel took the loss as he pitched six struck-out 8 batters. inson singled and went to second innings and allowed five hits.

The Elba Tigers had a busy week on an error in the outfield. Stinson Elba evened its record at 10-10 on n the diamond last week as they later scored on an rbi single by Josh Thursday night as the Tigers spanked the Brantley Bulldogs 11 nove their record on the season to

Josh Hodge got one hit, scored 1, in Elba. The Tigers trailed 1-0 one run, knocked in one run and after two innings, but rallied and The Tigers opened the week on stole two bases to lead the Tigers at went ahead 2-1 in the third on a key the road and came home with a slim the plate, while Ronnie Davis two-out double by Kevin Dodd. The

the third behind the hitting of Wade G.W. Long 5-0, before spanking Elba returned home for a Tuesday Parker, LaDon Daniels and Jos night battle against the G.W. Long Dawkins, then plated seven rur Ronnie Davis tossed a two-hitter Rebels and managed only four hits without an out in the fifth to end the and Elba made the most of only five as they lost to the Rebels 5-0. The game with the 11-1 win. The fifth hits as the Tigers escaped with a 2-0 game was tied at 0-0 through five inning fireworks were provided by win over the Poplar Springs innings as Elba's Brooks Creel lim- Josh Hodge, Ronnie Davis, Wade Atomics, last Monday afternoon, in ited the hard-hitting Rebels to only Parker, LaDon Daniels, Josh ahead 1-0 in the second inning nected on a pair of two-run homers Kevin Dodd, Wade Parker, Lawhen Josh Hodge reached on a two- in the sixth to grab the lead and held Don Daniels and Josh Dawkins all got 2 hits to lead Elba at the plate, home on an rbi single by Daniel Dustin Stinson got 2 hits to lead while Josh Dawkins got the mound

SOFTBALL SCHEDULES

THURSDAY, APRIL 23 Elba at Geneva Co. (2) 4:30 Ariton at Kinston (2) 4:00 MONDAY, APRIL 27 Elba at Samson (2) 4:30

Kinston at H.A. (2) 4:00 Ariton at Zion Chapel (2) 4:0 TUESDAY, APRIL 28 Kinston at Elba (2) 4:00 Goshen at Zion Chapel (2) 3:30



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	GENERAL	ENTERPRISE FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	DEBT SERVICE	TRUST & AGENCY	TOTALS MEMORANDUM
REVENUES							ONLY
TAXES	1,390,195		758,302				2,138,497
LICENSES AND PERMITS	31,568		29,734			15.876	83,178
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	220,643		1,019,529				1,240,172
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	412,587	1,132,197	127,442			11,405	1,683,631
MISCELLANEOUS	128,070	19,169	192,911	27,202	43,058	1,209	411,619
TOTAL REVENUES	2,179,063	1,151,366	2,127,918	27,202	43,058	28,490	5,557,097
EXPENDITURES							
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	922,419		97,315	673,813		7,090	1,700,637
PUBLIC SAFETY	643,906		2,779			15,8768	662,561
HIGHWAYS AND ROADS	0		1,626,704				1,626,704
SANITATION	1,459	311,583					313,042
HEALTH	21,128						21,128
WELFARE	22,347		9,679				32,026
CULTURE AND RECREATION	5,000						5,000
EDUCATION	22,704						22,704
CAPITAL OUTLAY DEBT SERVICE	77,102	1,459	20,910				99,471
	0	96,580	131,340		114,688		342,608
PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT INTEREST/FISCAL CHARGES	0	47,654	22,337		208,619		278,610
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,716,065	457,276	1,911,064	673,813	323,307	22,966	5,104,491
EXCESS REVENUES OVER							
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	462,998	694,090	216,854	(646,811)	(280,249)	5,524	452,606
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					(00.000		1.10/.052
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		<u>0</u>	508,174	<u>0</u>	688,779	0	1,196,953
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(244,894)	<u>0</u>	(888,238)	<u>0</u>	(63,821)	0	(1,196,953)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	(2// 22/)		(200.0(4)	0	624,958	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
(USES)	(244,894)	Q	(380,064)	<u>0</u>	024,930	Ā	<u>u</u>
EXCESS REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) OTHER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING							
USES	218,104	694,090	(163,210)	(646,611)	344,709	5,524	452,606
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - BEGINNING	576,878	(1,019,632)	1,816,616	3,771,186	- 2,528,584	30,910	7,704,542
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - ENDING	794,982	(325,542)	1,853,406	3,124,575	2,873,293	36,434	8,157,148

Detailed statements of individual fund revenue and expenditures are available for public inspection at the County Commission Office during regular hours Monday - Friday. The totals are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented merely to aid financial analysis. Information in this statement does NOT present the County's financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles; neither is data comparable to a consolidation of county funds; that is interfund elimination has not been used in totaling these figures. These figures represent unaudited date.

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS AS OF MARCH 31, 1998

Gasoline Fund Warrants
General Obligation Warrants (Jail)
General Obligation Warrants (Health Department)
General Obligation Warrants (Health Department Addition)
General Obligation Warrants (DHR)
General Obligation Warrants (Refunding Issue)
landfill Warrants
Lease Purchase Equipment
Landfill Lease Purchase Equipment
Amount in Escrow

SCHOOLS

Vica Spotlight



Matthew Farris Taxidermy employee plans to be veterinarian

by Diana Jackson This week's VICA spotlight focuses on Matthew Farris. He is an employee of Southern Taxidermy, where he mounts birds and other small animals. Matthew is the son of Phil and High School. He is a member of VICA, Mu Alpha Theta, and Sr.

to attend Auburn University and

Class ranks announced

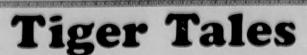
by Elizabeth Strong

High School received the news that she happened to submit the winning Coffee County, this honor went to has been long awaited for this poster art entry. Drawing a picture Mr. And Mrs. Lee Boyd. Coffee whole year class rankings. After entitled "Discovering Agriculture," County won runner-up for Best four years of hard work and dedica- Melanie placed first on the county Farm City Committee. It also won tion, the final grades for the ranking level. There were 59 winners best farm city dinner as well as best They are as follows: valedicto- tition, Melanie also placed first. off, Melanie's poster art was printed

Anna Head; third, Brandee Farris; 1999 Alabama Farm City Calendar. fourth, Walt Russell; fifth, Misty Kelley; sixth, Leigh Kelley; seventh, Elizabeth Strong; eighth, Brandie Mann; ninth, Bonnie Vaughan, tenth, Marsha Mauldin.

Beta Club members order honor stoles

by Bonnie Vaughan On Friday, March 27 Sr. Beta Club Honor Stoles were ordered. They will arrive before the first of May and will go to all seniors in the Senior Beta Club on honors day in May in award for their academic





Anna Head, Editor

Elizabeth Strong, Assistant Editor



Susie Farris and is a senior at Elba Shown from left are Katrina Calhoun, Melanie Mularz and Judy Killingsworth. Melanie's prize-winning poster Beta. His hobbies include hunting netted a \$200 prize for her class.

After high school, Matthew plans Mularz brings cash to class and he hopes to get accepted into Veterinary school in three or four at Elba Elementary School

by Brandee Farris

bond and a certificate. Her third-During Farm City Week, chil- grade class taught by Mrs. Kenneth dren could enter the poster art con- Calhoun received \$200 in cash. test. Seven hundred entries from At the banquet held in kindergarten through third grade Birmingham on March 30, Melanie were received around the state. was not the only one honored. Melanie Mularz, a student of Elba More than 300 people applauded at Elementary School, submitted one the recognition of the Farm of Recently, the seniors of Elba of those entries. As a matter of fact, Distinction District Winners. From across the state. In the state compecivic club activities. To top it all

Melanie received a \$200 savings

Menus

Elba Elementary Schools has LUNCH released the following menus for Monday - Chili w/Beans, Cheese the week of April 27 through May Sandwich, Mixed Vegetables, BREAKFAST

Monday - Cinnamon Toast or Slaw, French Fries, Chocolate Cereal, Applesauce, Juice, Milk Pudding, Milk Wednesday - Sausage & Biscuit Fruit, Garlic Bread, Milk or Cereal, Juice, Milk

Thursday - Eggs or Cereal, Toast Lettuce, Tomato, Dill, Potato w/Jelly, Juice, Milk Toast w/Jelly, Juice, Milk

rian, Matthew Farris; salutatorian, Her poster will be featured in the on the front cover of the programs.

Crackers, Half Orange, Milk

Wedges, Applesauce, Milk

Tuesday - Fish Burger, Cole

Sophomores take first look at class rings

On Thursday, March 19,1998, the tenth-grade ring committee met Tuesday - Pancakes w/Syrup or Wednesday - Lasagna, Green with Mr. Parker from Balfour to discuss purchasing class rings. Salad, Buttered Carrots, Mixed They looked at many different Thursday - Hoagie Sandwich, styles, sizes, and prices of rings and decided which ones they most liked. Mr. Parker will return later Friday - Cheese Grits or Cereal, Friday - Corn Dog, Macaroni and this month for the sophomores to



FLOOD DONATION: The Elba High School Student Government Association received a letter and a check from Sulligent High School in Sulligent, Ala., following the flood. The letter offered Sulligents sincere sympathy for our town. It stated that their SGA wanted the money to go to a deserving family. Elba's SGA held an officer meeting and chose to present the check to Coach Boyd English. The English family's home was flooded, and they were left with nothing but a few belongings. The EHS SGA felt that they were a very deserving family. Coach English was very appreciative when he received the check. Shown from left are Elizabeth Strong, Coach English









Students of the month named

by Vaughan Boyd

and participates in class discussions. he is a very hard worker and always Chelsea Cooper was chosen by

Judith Tucker. She is an eighth

Cheese, Turnips, Half Apple, Milk purchase their rings.

grader and Ms. Tucker comments is a well-behaved student. that Chelsea is an excellent student. Sylvia Padgett nominated a Students of the month recently She always has her work done and senior, Marsha Mauldin, for Student actively participates in the class. of the Month. She comments that Jonathan Head is an eighth-grad- Chelsea's cheerful personality and Marsha is always attentive, courteer and was nominated by Brian exceptional attitude help to start her ous, respectful, and prompt. All these characteristics resulted in very very good student and maintains an Barbara Jones nominated Glenn high grades and she deserves this "A" average. He is very attentive Davis, an eleventh grader. She says honor.

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Manager; Debra Nicholson, Earnestine McMonagle, Gloria Walls, Sophia Kelley - Program Assistants; Sharon Stiles - Farm Loan Program Technician; Lloyd Helms - Field Specialist. Purpose of the agency is to

administer all federal farm programs enacted by Congress. Some of these

programs include Production Adjustment (which includes peanuts), AMTA

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Conservation (Conservation Reserve & Emergency Conservation

Programs), Farm Loans (credit), and others. Data collected by the Agency

during the past years include: In 1997 Coffee County peanut farmers pro-

duced over 41 million lbs. of peanuts on 23,590 acres for an average coun-

ty-wide yield of 1752 lbs. per acre. This compares with the 1996 produc-

tion of over 58 million lbs. on 26,620 acres for an average of 2206 lbs. per

acre. Cotton acreage in Coffee County for 1997 was 21,360, which is about

Round and about

with Eria Belcher

***Thinking of you, praying for vices at Rocky Head M.B. Church, you: Lessie R. Davis, Mamie Elba, on Sunday, April 19, were

Belcher, Mamie Williams, Bernice Eddie Green Jr., Odarius Green,

Hamilton, Estella Williams, Paul Victoria Jenkins and Aubrey

Belcher, Versie Barnes, Jessica McQueen, all of Andalusia, and

Pearson, Ella M. Brooks, Rosa members of Mt. Moriah Baptist

Coleman, Rev. Henry Ewing, Church, Rev. Willie Currey, pastor.

200 acres less than in 1996.

Tax help available for senior citizens Senior citizens who have filed

for tax filing extensions - both state and federal - are being offered free assistance in tax return preparation courtesy of AARP (American Association of Retired Persons). The assistance is being offered each Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Elba Senior Citizens Center located in the fellowship hall of the First Assembly of God Church on Highland Drive. Persons filing for extensions have three months o file federal income ax returns without being penalized and until June 20th to file state



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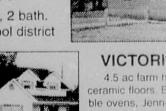
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Lawrence Bryant, Lee Ella ***Youth Need to Know: Robinson, J.C. Brooks, Mary E. America's Black Heritage - JACK JOHNSON - 1878 - 1946 - Born in ***Revival '98 in progress at Galveston, Texas, Jack John Arthur Greater St. Matthew African Johnson was a skinny lad who trav-Methodist Episcopal Church, eled the country by hitching rides Brantley, Rev. John Dees Jr., pastor, on trains, supporting himself by April 20 -24, 7:30 each evening. working at odd jobs and boxing as

Guest evangelist - Rev. John F. an amateur. He became professiona Payne, pastor, Friendship in 1899 but was unable to compete Missionary Baptist Church, Mobile. for the championship in the United Devotional: Wednesday - St. Mark, States - an opportunity he gained by Good Hope, Dunn Chapel AME and knocking out Tommy Burns in Antioch; Thursday - New Hope Sydney, Australia, in 1908. His sta-(Valley), Spring Hill, Bethel AME tus as the world's first black heavy-(Andalusia), Jordan Grove, weight boxing champion provoked Morning Star, St. James, and Zion hatred from some Americans, who Chapel; Friday - Roxanna, Shady launched a search for the "great Grove AME, Woodford white hope," a white boxer who Community, Little Baptist Hill and could dethrone him. Johnson suc-Gantt AME Zion; choirs: cessfully defended his title several Wednesday - Rocky Head; times, most notably defeating Thursday - St. James; Friday - Mass James Jeffries, who had been coaxed out of retirement to fight

Anniversary will be held at Shiloh Jazz trumpeter Miles Davis wrote Baptist Church, Tarentum in the lines notes for his album Community, May 3. Rev. A.R. titled JACK JOHNSON: "The day Williams is pastor. Sunday School - before Johnson defended his title 9:30 a.m., morning worship - 11, against Jim Flynn (1912) he Rev. Willie Edwards; lunch and received a note: 'Lie down tomorprogram in afternoon with Rev. L.P. row or we string you up - Ku Klux Carter, pastor Jordan Grove, Mt. Klan.' Ultimately, Johnson lost the Nebo, and Benevolent Grove title to Jess Willard in Havana, Baptist Churches, bringing the mes- Cuba, in 1915. His career record was 78 wins (45 knockouts), 8 loss-

Rocky Head M.B. Church, May 16, of Fame in 1954. (Black History

Zion Chapel Menus

mitted the following menus for the Pudding, Milk week of April 27-May 1.

Slice, Jelly or Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk Tuesday - Pancake Pups, Syrup, Chicken Nuggets, English Peas, Cereal, Juice, Milk Wednesday - Sausage Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Milk Thursday - Cereal, Juice, Donuts,

Friday - Pot Luck LUNCH

Zion Chapel Schools have sub- Butterbeans, Apple, Chocolate Tuesday - Hamburger, Turkey Burrito, French Fries. Cheese Slice. Monday - French Toast, Ham Fruit, Fresh Veggies w/Dip, Jello,

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College has released names of stu- Simmons

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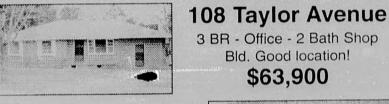
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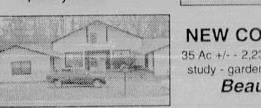
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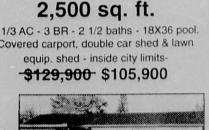
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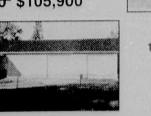


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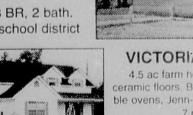
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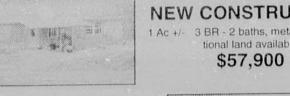
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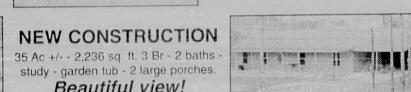
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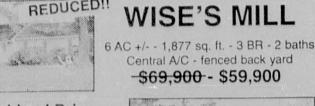




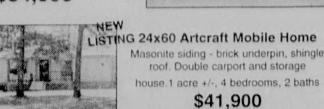






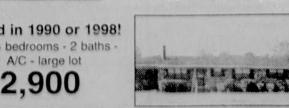












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4-23,30chg

N THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA FLRA DIVISION IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE KARON R. WALLACE,

DECEASED. Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 14th day of April, 1998, by the Honorable William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all per-

file at Elba City Hall.

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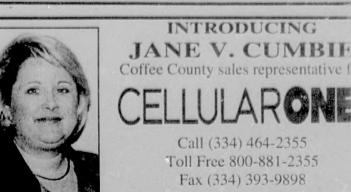
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business or home,"

rience in handling more than 600 He noted that moisture content is He also noted that there are severarbitrations/appraisals or insurance very important and that a building or al hidden dangers in a flood dam-

KINDERGARTEN REGIS- registration. For further information, TRATION The Coffee County contact the central office at 894-School System's kindergarten regis- 6152. tration for the 1998-99 school year will be held at the Kinston MISS ELBA PAGEANTS The Elementary School, Tuesday, May 5, Elba Chamber of Commerce is

HAPPENINGS

1998, and New Brockton sponsoring the Future Miss Elba, Elementary School on Wednesday, Little Miss Elba, Junior Miss Elba, May 6, 1998, 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 and Miss Pageants. The Future Miss p.m.; Zion Chapel Elementary and Little Miss Pageants will be held School, Thursday, May 7, 1998 from Friday, May 15, 1998, at 6:00 p.m. in 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Students must be the Elba High School Auditorium. 5 years old on or before September The Junior Miss and Miss Elba 2, 1998 in order to enroll. Parents Pageants will be held Saturday, May will need to bring the student's birth 16, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. in the Elba certificate, social security card, and High School. The deadline for entry Alabama Immunization records to is May 4, 1998. For more informaregistration. Parents are also encourtion, call the Elba Chamber of aged to bring their child with them to Commerce at 897-3125.

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ism and courtesy to all staff personnel, as well as equality of treatment Continued from Page 1 no matter what the sex, race or crime committed. I have adopted of Ethics which says 'As a law the department motto of 'serving enforcement officer, my fundamenwith pride . . . protecting with care' tal duty is to serve mankind; to safeand have that motto printed on all guard lives and property; to protect patrol vehicles to remind my staff the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimi-

"If re-elected, I will continue dation, and the peaceful against vio-working toward making Coffee lence or disorder; and to respect the County a safer community in which Constitutional rights of all men to to live."

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Just a few of the services they pro- All of the above has to be put in By opening one side of a vide are: temporary roof dry-in, the framework of the insurance sheetrock wall, the other side will of a wall.

tural engineering, just to name a pointed out several things that one wood floor will allow expansion should look for in a flood-damaged without causing damage to the remaining boards or side walls. home should be thoroughly dried aged home or business that often go

Dorsey

Continued from Page 1 \$33.9 million compared with new trailer sales for the same period in 1997 of \$32.1 million.

Marilyn R. Marks, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, commenting on the results, stated, "Despite the flooding of our Elba, Alabama plant in March, 1998, I am pleased to report that the company continues to benefit from rapid modest increases in the second quarter of 1998. We estimate that the Elba flood reduced first quarter new trailer sales volume by approximately 14%. The operating loss that the company reported in the first quarter is attributable primarily to these lost sales and to the additional costs incurred to return the Elba plant to full production."

County

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The funds will be used in making repairs to the county's flood damaged roads and buildings. Some of the monies will be used to pay overtime to employees in the high-

way and sheriff's departments. There has been no total estimate made available of the damage caused by the March flooding in

unnoticed, or when they are noticed contractor that all labor and materi- too late for you to have ICC evaluate phe is no laughing matter and can have a para- measures are not taken.

lyzing effect on the normal operations of your Ehler pointed out the sometimes rendered. and sometimes can result in death. verify the insurance is active. Another pitfall to disaster victims The personnel at I.C.C. reopen request. is when dealing with a contractor in Incorporated - Ehler, Grady, Carol Ehler's favorite saying is "We just the restoration process one can be Stinson and Chris Williams - are in count sticks!" meaning we look at

stuck with extra bills. Ehler cautioned homeowners themselves "The Extra Effort small - and let the numbers do the and/or owners of businesses to Experts."

proper precaution or preventative als have been paid in full before your claim, and there is no charge making any payment for services for the initial evaluation. Most states have a five-year deadly mold/fungi by the name of One should obtain copies of the Statute of Limitation on the reopen-

Stachybokus is found in buildings contractor's bonding, liability and ing of an insurance claim. ICC will and homes ravaged by flood waters. builder's risk insurance policies, and prepare a detailed, line-item supple-It can make an individual very ill contact his or her insurance agent to ment damage assessment helping an individual to substantiate his or her

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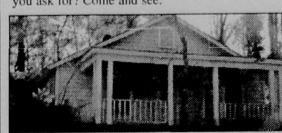
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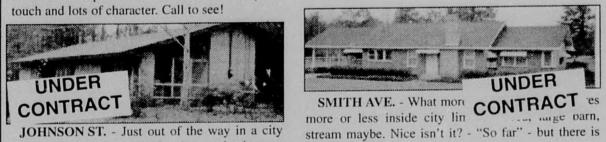
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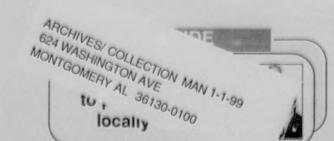
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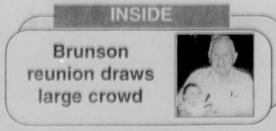


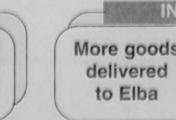
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Elba, Alabama

Thursday, April 30, 1998

1 Section, 14 Pages plus 2 advertising inserts

City gets \$2.7 million to upgrade sewerage

by Marvin McIlwain, Editor is still a major source of water polin the very near future.

the city of Elba. \$130 million in wastewater and safe system. communities in 37 states.

nomic opportunities of more than sewer system. 84,000 people in economically dis"One of the city's goals is to proSee SEWERAGE, Page 14 tressed areas of rural America

"This is a giant step toward the On Wednesday, April 22, Elba He added, "Corroded pipes, out- city's reaching that goal." Mayor James E. Grimes was pre- dated treatment facilities and sub- Horn added, "We want to be a

sented a check for just over \$2.7 standard septic systems all take a part of making the quality of life in heavy toll on the quality of our Elba better. The presentation was made by nation's drinking water, aquatic "We have tried over the last few Horace H. Horn, Jr., State Director habitat and recreational waters." years to project a more positive of USDA Rural Development in During the check presentation image for government and certainly Alabama, as a part of the U. S. ceremony at Elba City Hall, Horn for USDA in letting the people

"Inadequate wastewater disposal vide sewer service to all our citizens

Department of Agriculture's obser- presented Mayor Grimes with the know the things we are doing check for \$2,740,000 representing a through projects such as these. The monies will be used to fund a federal loan (\$2,279,000) and grant "It's important to note that most sanitary wastewater project within (\$461,000) funds to be used for of this money is loan money that expanding and renovation of the the City of Elba and its residents Nationally, USDA is investing city's existing wastewater treatment will repay to the U. S. Treasury. "This project is evidence that drinking water projects in 59 rural Mayor Grimes stated, "This progood things do happen to people

ject will be an asset to our city. who work and work in the right Agriculture Secretary Dan "The project will be rehabilitating direction." Glickman commented, "These pro- some of our older sewer lines, but He commended Mayor Grimes jects will improve the health condimost important, the city will be for the leadership he has provided in tions, living environment and eco- adding 120 new households to our seeing this project come about and



Pictured above during the check presentation are (I-r): Steve Pelham, Horace H. Horn, Jr., Sen. Dwight Adams, Cecelia Meeks, and Mayor James E. Grimes.

HAPPENINGS

NEW BROCKTON BAND DAY The New Brockton High School Band will hold Band Day '98 Saturday, May 2, 1998 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Farm Center located in New Brockton. There will be games for all ages, prizes, ke walk, jail-for-bail, auction Spacewalk, entertainment from local groups as well as the New Brockton band. All proceeds go to

KINDERGARTEN REGIS-TRATION The Coffee County School System's kindergarten registration for the 1998-99 school year will be held at the Kinston Elementary School, Tuesday, May , 1998, and New Brockton Elementary School on Wednesday, May 6, 1998, 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.; Zion Chapel Elementary School, Thursday, May 7, 199 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.r Students must be 5 years old on o before September 2, 1998 in orde to enroll. Parents will need to bring the student's birth certificate, socia security card, and Alabama mmunization records to registration. Parents are also encouraged to bring their child with them to registration. For further information,

contact the central office at 894-NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER Local observance of the National

Day of Prayer will be held Thursday, May 7, at the National Security Veteran's Memorial Park on U. S. Hwy. 84E. Area residents are encouraged to bring a snack lunch and enjoy a time of fellowship prior to the program which will begin promptly at 12:15 p.m. The 30-minute program will be a time of prayer for our country and our community. The Elba Christian Coalition is sponsoring the event. Call 897-8544 for more

INDIAN FESTIVAL T Southeast Pioneer Village, U. S. Hwy. 231, 8 miles north of Troy, is having an Indian Festival. Saturday, May 2, 1998, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The festival will include arts and craft displays, good food, and dance performances. Admission is free. Booth spaces are available. For information, call (334)807-3794 of (334)566-3896 or to leave a message: call (334)566-9970 or (334)484-9141.

RESCUE SQUAD NEEDS EMTS The New Brockton Rescue Squad is accepting applications from anyone interested in becoming an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) and will consider paying tuition cost for EMT classes. For info call: 894-5406 (days) or 894-6430 or 894-2191 (evenings)



Frederick Hamilton shows council members a map of proposed sewerage line extensions on Hwy. 84 west. The extension would be funded with a CDBG grant of \$170,000.

Council rezones property for commercial development

Monday evening was that of a compatible.

by Ferrin Cox, publisher that the new radio system being chairman of the zoning board. installed in the downtown police In separate action the council The Elba City Council meeting station location will be E-911 unanimously approved the

community moving forward. The Planning and Zoning Board an unexpired term on the Planning council members approved a has held a hearing on a request to & Zoning Board. rezoning for commercial constructive rezone property on 203 Bypass to The rights to the former high tion, approved sewer extension for commercial for construction of school gym have been reacquired business purposes; transferred for- buildings for lease to commercial by the city and were transferred to mer school property to the operations and professional the Industrial Development Board. Industrial Board for expansion of a offices. The property is owned by The move was in anticipation of local industry and voted on final Dr. Mitch Purvis. The council that board assisting Worth Tent plans of a CDBG grant application voted to concur with the Board's with their plans for continuing for sewer line extension on Hwy action to approve the rezoning. 84 West. They also heard Police Council member Ben Carpenter

Chief Ronnie Whitworth explain abstained because he serves as appointment of Brenda Daniels to

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County assesses road damages at \$3 million plus

the Coffee County Commission did taken; but it would have taken too in Monday evening's meeting was long to show them all. He randomly vote to fix the "noisy blower." chose slides which showed the vari-Even the sound system in the ous types of damage in the county.

An evening session is held to er. accommodate the public so now The totals from the various agenmaybe they will accommodate them cies surveying the damage are as [the public] again by making it easy follows: FEMA's (Federal The majority of the meeting was DSRs (Damage Survey Report) consumed by a slide presentation by

County Engineer Randy Tindell

showing flood damage done to the by Marvin McIlwain, Editor county's road system. - Tindell told commissioners that One of the most important things literally hundreds of pictures were

room is inadequate to overcome the To date, the dollar amount of "racket" the blower on the air con- damage done to the county's infraditioner/heating system makes structure is \$2,976,120.00 and according to Tindell it will go high-

Emergency management Agency)

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FEMA delivers recovery funds

On Wednesday, April 22, Coffee tation of other public facilities. County received more checks to In addition to the above funds, help in the flood recovery process. checks were also presented to cities Terry Wilkins, assistant director and towns in the county to be used of the Coffee County Emergency in the same manner. Management Agency, presented The City of Enterprise received two checks from FEMA (Federal \$83,347.00 and the towns of New Emergency Agency) totalling Brockton and Kinston got checks

These funds are in addition to the tively. of roads and bridges. Some of the and surveys are completed.

monies will be used in the rehabili-

for \$9,294,00 and \$2,087.00 respec-

\$300,000 received the prior week. Wilkins stated that additional

According to Wilkins, these funds will be channeled down as funds will be used in the repairing more damage assessment reports

Schools get money for drug testing

by Marvin McIlwain, Editor

Charles Pearce on Tuesday.

ney Mark Fuller. of a grant from the Attorney for the Alabama.

Elba City Schools Superintendent Inc., and numerous attorneys gener-Joining in the presentation was price-fixing by the company. 12th Judicial Circuit District attor- By joining in the \$9.5 million The check is the first installment General's Office gained \$130,000

High school. A total of \$7,500 will be awarded

The Attorney General's Office Alabama Attorney General Bill grant program through a court set-Pryor presented a \$2,500 check to tlement in 1995 between Reebok, al nationwide concerning alleged national settlement, the Attorney

General's Office for random drug Grants have been awarded to 14 testing of student athletes at Elba school systems in Alabama, with

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Pictured above for the check presentation are(l-r): District Attorney Mark Fuller, Superintendent Charles Pearce, Attorney General Bill Pryor, Dale Crowe, Principal David Stokes, and Jeannie Scott (grant coordinator for the AG's Office).

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